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Buskers Abound at The Forks Market This Weekend
Buskers Festival Takes Over Centre Court
May 26 and 27

The Forks Market, Winnipeg – Summer is just around the corner and with it comes two dazzling days of singing, clowning, cartooning and magic at The Forks Market this weekend.

"Since the inception of The Market these unique performers have showcased their talent to gathering crowds," says Randy Cameron, General Manager, The Forks Market. "They add such a theatrical element to the site and visitors just love their antics."

This weekend they are battling it out to determine who gets the coveted Busk Pass and who goes home to practice up for next year. Over 100 buskers will be auditioning for that 2007/2008 Pass, which entitles them to perform at 10 "Busk Stops" throughout The Forks and The Forks Market.

"It will be all live, non-rehearsed and the audience's reaction is going to play a huge part in our judging," says Cameron. "We are thrilled to have over 80 performers. It will be kind of like a "Forks Idol", with only the best being awarded passes."

"There is no job in the world like busking." says Christopher Cool, magician and regular busker at The Forks. "You can be utterly creative and expressive in your work and receive an instant performance evaluation."

The entire Festival is free, and the public is encouraged to come and cheer on their favourite buskers.

Auditions will take place in The Forks Market, Centre Court from 10am – 5pm on both May 26 and 27.

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